GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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BARABANI-TAPSI-ANDAL RAIL TRACK
SUNIL KHAN

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Barabani-Tapsi-Andal railway track under Eastern Railway is not being utilized;

(b) if so, the reasons for diversion of trains on that route ;

(c) if so, whether the said track is being stolen by anti-social elements; and (

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to protect the said property?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) No, Sir. Barabani-Tapsi-Andal section is utilized for goods traffic generally for carrying coal loads.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) Since goods trains are already running on this section, question of theft of track does not arise. However, sometimes pilferages of track fittings do get reported. To protect the Indian Railways property RPF staff are deployed at Barabani, Tapsi, Sonachara and Andal stations in addition to camping/track patrolling in the section. In addition, Engineering staff also work in the section for day to day maintenance work which ensure protection of the track.